

I as well as many other Amateur Radio operators are against extending the bands available for spread spectrum experimentation use to include 222-225 MHz as well as 6 and 2 meters.

Two meters is crowded as it is and spread spectrum would make this problem worse.

It would cause havoc to the many repeater systems with input frequencies placed throughout the band.

The rest of the band is well used with packet, weak signal, satellite and simplex.

It is often difficult to find a clear simplex frequency, and I can see no room for spread spectrum experimentation where it will not interfere with current modes of communication on 2 meters.

As for 6 meters, that band is used for radio control, repeaters and weak signal work.

These modes are becoming more and more popular with many radios now on the market including 6 meters.

The main concern with six meters is the bands susceptibility to ionosphere conditions that permit long range communication.

A band with characteristics like this is not a good candidate for spread spectrum.

I feel that the current rules limiting Spread Spectrum emissions to frequencies above 420 MHz are sufficient and should remain in place.